

Marine Corps Achievement Medal (5 awards), and various other personal and unit awards.

His military career has been successful due to the confidence and support of Melonie, his wife and best friend of 30 years. He also has two supportive sons, who are both Eagle Scouts—Caleb and Zachary. Captain Callahan was awarded his Eagle Scout in 1982, 7 months prior to his initial enlistment.

As a Navy veteran and the son of a World War II veteran, I know firsthand the sacrifices made by our brave men and women in uniform and their families. Today, we honor CAPT John Callahan who willingly risked his life to protect our freedoms and fight for our God-given rights. For that, we owe him endless gratitude.

Thank you for your service, and may God bless you.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Kelly, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the Committee on Armed Services.

(The messages received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 10:44 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Alli, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill and joint resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1149. An act to establish certain reporting and other requirements relating to telecommunications equipment and services produced or provided by certain entities, and for other purposes.

H.J. Res. 42. Joint resolution disapproving the action of the District of Columbia Council in approving the Comprehensive Policing and Justice Reform Amendment Act of 2022.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bill and joint resolution were read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 1149. An act to establish certain reporting and other requirements relating to telecommunications equipment and services produced or provided by certain entities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

H.J. Res. 42. Joint resolution disapproving the action of the District of Columbia Council in approving the Comprehensive Policing and Justice Reform Amendment Act of 2022; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-1069. A communication from the Associate Administrator, Specialty Crops Program, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Harmonized Tariff Schedule Numbers for the Paper and Paper-Based Packaging Products" (Docket No. AMS-SC-22-0050) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 17, 2023; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1070. A communication from the Associate Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fludioxonil; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 10769-01-OCSPP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 17, 2023; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1071. A communication from the Associate Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Trinexapac-ethyl; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 10792-01-OCSPP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 17, 2023; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1072. A communication from the Director of the Regulations Management Division, Rural Development, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Notice of Solicitation of Applications for the Rural Energy for America Program for Fiscal Years 2023 and 2024" received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 17, 2023; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1073. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Deltamethrin; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 10568-01-OCSPP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 17, 2023; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1074. A communication from the Associate Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Ethalfuralin; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 10449-01-OCSPP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 17, 2023; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1075. A communication from the Associate Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Acetophenone; Exemption From the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 10822-01-OCSPP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 17, 2023; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1076. A communication from the Director of the Regulations Development Staff, Food Safety and Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishing a Uniform Time Period Requirement and Clarifying Related Procedures for the Filing of Appeals of Agency Inspection Decisions or Actions" (RIN0583-AD76) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on

April 17, 2023; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1077. A communication from the Director of the Regulations Development Staff, Food Safety and Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Prior Label Approval System: Expansion of Generic Label Approval" (RIN0583-AD78) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 17, 2023; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1078. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of an officer authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of major general in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1079. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), transmitting, pursuant to law, the Uniform Resource Locator (URL) for the Department of Defense's annual report on the consolidated financial statement audit for fiscal year 2022; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1080. A communication from the Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Privacy Act of 1974; Implementation" (RIN0790-AL44) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 17, 2023; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1081. A communication from the Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Noncommercial Computer Software" (RIN0750-AK87) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 17, 2023; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1082. A communication from the Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Use of Supplier Performance Risk System (SPRS) Assessments" (RIN0750-AK44) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 17, 2023; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1083. A communication from the Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Contract Administration Office Functions Relating to Direct Costs" (RIN0750-AL69) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 17, 2023; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1084. A communication from the Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Ground and Flight Risk" (RIN0750-AL13) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 17, 2023; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. DURBIN for the Committee on the Judiciary.

Michael Farbiarz, of New Jersey, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey.

Robert Kirsch, of New Jersey, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey.

Orelia Eleta Merchant, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York.

Jeffrey Irvine Cummings, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois.

LaShonda A. Hunt, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois.

Monica Ramirez Almadani, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California.

Wesley L. Hsu, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California.

William R. Hart, of New Hampshire, to be United States Marshal for the District of New Hampshire for the term of four years.

Todd Gee, of the District of Columbia, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of Mississippi for the term of four years.

(Nominations without an asterisk were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Ms. CORTEZ MASTO (for herself and Mr. MORAN):

S. 1221. A bill to require the Administrator of the Small Business Administration to provide awards to recognize State and local governments that improve the process of forming a new business, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Ms. CORTEZ MASTO (for herself and Mrs. BLACKBURN):

S. 1222. A bill to require the Administrator of the Small Business Administration to encourage entrepreneurship training in after school programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. HAWLEY, Mr. COTTON, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. TILLIS, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. CASSIDY, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. CRAPO, Mrs. FISCHER, Mr. LANKFORD, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. RISCH, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, Mr. THUNE, Mr. BOOZMAN, and Mrs. BLACKBURN):

S. 1223. A bill to improve certain criminal provisions; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BENNET (for himself, Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. MORAN, and Mr. HICKENLOOPER):

S. 1224. A bill to amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to modify the conservation reserve enhancement program; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. CRUZ (for himself, Mr. BRAUN, and Mr. HAGERTY):

S. 1225. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the indexing of certain assets for purposes of determining gain or loss; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CRUZ (for himself and Mr. BRAUN):

S. 1226. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the individual tax provisions of the tax reform law, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SULLIVAN (for himself, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. SCHATZ):

S. 1227. A bill to combat illegal, unreported, and unregulated fishing at its sources globally; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Ms. HASSAN (for herself and Ms. ERNST):

S. 1228. A bill to amend title 31, United States Code, to save Federal funds by authorizing changes to the composition of circulating coins, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. MARKEY (for himself, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. SANDERS, and Ms. WARREN):

S. 1229. A bill to establish a Green New Deal for Health to prepare and empower the health care sector to protect the health and wellbeing of our workers, our communities, and our planet in the face of the climate crisis, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. BLACKBURN (for herself, Mr. COTTON, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. HEINRICH, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. CARDIN, Ms. WARREN, and Mr. SCOTT of Florida):

S. 1230. A bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Master Sergeant Roderick "Roddie" Edmonds in recognition of his heroic actions during World War II; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Ms. WARREN, Mr. MERKLEY, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. WELCH, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. WARNER, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. MARKEY, Mrs. MURRAY, and Ms. CORTEZ MASTO):

S. 1231. A bill to prohibit disinformation in the advertising of abortion services, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mrs. CAPITO (for herself and Ms. SINEMA):

S. 1232. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the allowance for depreciation, amortization, or depletion for purposes of determining the income limitation on the deduction for business interest; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BOOKER (for himself and Mrs. CAPITO):

S. 1233. A bill to amend the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act to modify provisions relating to rural decentralized water systems grants; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. SCOTT of Florida (for himself, Mr. SULLIVAN, Mr. MORAN, Mr. LEE, Mr. THUNE, Mr. WICKER, Mr. YOUNG, Mrs. BLACKBURN, and Mr. JOHNSON):

S. 1234. A bill to apply the Freedom of Information Act to actions and decisions of the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information in carrying out the Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment Program; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. SULLIVAN, Ms. HASSAN, and Mr. BALDWIN):

S. 1235. A bill to establish an awareness campaign related to the lethality of fentanyl and fentanyl-contaminated drugs, to establish a Federal Interagency Work Group on Fentanyl Contamination of Illegal Drugs, and to provide community based coalition enhancement grants to mitigate the effects of drug misuse; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. KENNEDY:

S. 1236. A bill to add suicide prevention resources to school identification cards; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. ERNST (for herself, Mr. TESTER, Mr. GRASSLEY, Ms. LUMMIS, Mr. RICKETTS, Mr. MORAN, and Mr. BRAUN):

S. 1237. A bill to restore the exemption of family farms and small businesses from the

definition of assets under title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. WELCH (for himself, Mr. BRAUN, and Ms. HASSAN):

S. 1238. A bill to amend the Plant Protection Act for purposes of mitigating the threat of invasive species, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. REED (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. MERKLEY):

S. 1239. A bill to promote environmental literacy; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. RISCH (for himself and Mr. MENENDEZ):

S. 1240. A bill to modify the requirements for candidate countries under the Millennium Challenge Act of 2003, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Ms. ROSEN (for herself and Mr. ROUNDS):

S. 1241. A bill to enhance and expand cooperation between the Department of Defense and the Government of Taiwan; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. COTTON (for himself, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. VANCE, and Mr. HAGERTY):

S. 1242. A bill to exclude critical minerals that were extracted or processed in certain countries that are providing insufficient levels of assistance to Ukraine from being included for purposes of determining the amount of the clean vehicle tax credit; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CORNYN:

S. 1243. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the exclusion for gain from qualified small business stock; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. THUNE (for himself, Mr. CASSIDY, Mr. DAINES, Ms. LUMMIS, Mr. RICKETTS, and Mr. ROUNDS):

S. 1244. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to prevent double dipping between tax credits and grants or loans for clean vehicle manufacturers; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FISCHER (for herself and Mr. HICKENLOOPER):

S. 1245. A bill to transfer unobligated balances made available for COVID-19 emergency response and relief to the Federal Communications Commission to enable the Commission to carry out the Secure and Trusted Communications Networks Reimbursement Program; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself, Mr. WELCH, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. HEINRICH, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. REED, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Ms. HASSAN, Mr. KING, Ms. CANTWELL, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. BROWN, Mr. BOOKER, Ms. SMITH, Ms. WARREN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. CARDIN, Ms. DUCKWORTH, and Mr. MARKEY):

S. 1246. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to strengthen the drug pricing reforms in the Inflation Reduction Act; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. LEE, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, and Mr. PAUL):

S. 1247. A bill to amend the First Step Act of 2018 to permit defendants convicted of certain offenses to be eligible for reduced sentences, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. WICKER, Mr. BROWN, and Mr. COONS):